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## Worden shoots hole in one



Rick Worden, Heppner, got a hole-in-one on hole number two at the Willow Creek golf course on his 40<sup>th</sup> birthday.

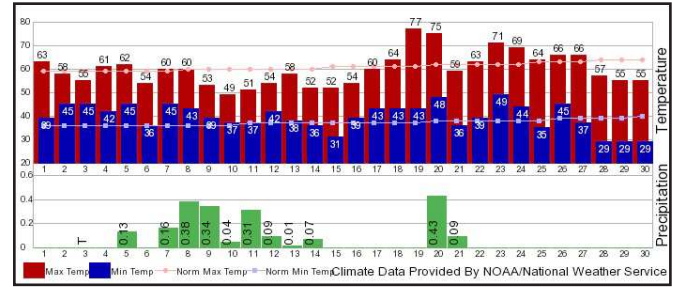
## April slightly warmer this year

According to preliminary data received by NOAA's National Weather Service in Pendleton, temperatures at Heppner averaged slightly warmer than normal during the month of April.

The average temperature was 49.8 degrees which was 0.7 degrees above normal. High temperatures averaged 59.9 degrees, which was 1.0 degree below normal. The highest was 77 degrees on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Low temperatures averaged 39.6 degrees, which was 2.4 degrees above normal. The lowest was 29 degrees, on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

There were four days with the low temperature below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 2.05 inches during April,



which was 0.54 inches above normal. Measurable precipitation, at least .01 inch, was received on 11 days with the heaviest, 0.43 inches reported on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Precipitation this year has reached 7.62 inches, which is two inches above normal. Since October, the water year precipitation at Heppner has been 11.63 inches, which is 1.95 inches above normal.

The highest wind gust

was 46 mph which occurred on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

The outlook for May from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation. Normal highs for Heppner rise from 64.0 degrees at the start of May to 73.0 degrees at the end of May. Normal lows rise from 40.0 degrees to 47.0 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 1.66 inches.

## Heppner athletes selected by Shrine Club



Heppner athletes (L-R) Derek Howard and Tyler Carter were selected to play in the annual Shrine football game.

The Tri-County Shrine Club honored players Derek Howard and Tyler Carter on Wednesday, May 1 at the Heppner Elks Lodge. This annual recognition dinner brings families, Shrine members and coaches together to hear about the mission of the Shriners organization while recognizing the players selected for the game.

Derek Howard is a son of Matt and Derina Howard. According to a spokesperson, "He was a great teammate and some-

one who was kind to all he played with and against." It was also said that Derek is a top track athlete with a state leading mark of 51'10".

Tyler Carter is the son of Scott and Kim Carter. Tyler was a first team all-league offensive and defensive player. He was a standout lineman playing center and guard. "Tyler always showed up around the ball, whether in football or basketball, you could count on him being there to make plays," was a comment

made about Tyler. Tyler was also selected as a second team All-State offensive and defensive player.

Both boys were praised for how they represented their families, school and community by Coach Greg Grant. "The support of parents, teammates, school and community is what molded you into the person you are today," Grant said. "Honor all of them with your actions," was the message given.

Each player gave a short speech thanking their parents and support of their community. Past player Wyatt Steagall was a guest speaker. He spoke passionately about how the experience was much more than he imagined. "The technology of the hospital was incredible and it was so gratifying to contribute to such a great cause," he said.

Archie Ball was the master of ceremonies with visiting dignitaries Dick Christ from the Pendleton Shrine club. Tri-County shrine members Gene Orwick, Herman Winters, Merlin Hughes and Roger Mortimore attended. Roger prepared his signature prime rib for the crowd.

The Shrine football game will be played August 4 in Baker City, OR at 7 p.m.

## WCVEDG to host annual luncheon

Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group will hold their annual luncheon Thursday, May 16 from noon to 1 p.m. in the dining room at St. Patrick's Senior Center. There will be an update on WCVEDG projects and programs as well as guest

speakers.

Guest speakers Wendy Veliz, Brad Jenkins and Dave Rodgers from Portland General Electric will talk about their newest project and also report on current projects.

Lunch will be catered by Alvin Liu of Gateway Café and will consist of

barbecued ribs, chicken, baked beans, potato salad and dessert. RSVPs are required and must be received no later than May 14 to be guaranteed a lunch. Everyone is invited to attend. Contact the Heppner Chamber at 541-676-5536 or heppnerchamber@centurytel.net.

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- ★ Lifetime Morrow County resident
- ★ Over 30 years of patient care as a pharmacist and community volunteer
- ★ Self-employed with time to serve
- ★ Small business owner in multiple locations—Heppner, Boardman, Condon
- ★ Board Chairman of Morrow County Health District representing all of Morrow county for 14 years

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